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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 12 July 1965

There was a Current Intelligence Briefing updating the early morning briefing given to DCI. The updating dealt exclusively with the Vietnam situation.

DDI noted a forthcoming War Game dealing with Southeast Asia. JCS officers involved want to brief the DCI on the guidelines and War Game objectives. DCI wants to be so briefed and he urged Agency participation to make the games as valid and realistic as possible.

DDI noted that policy consideration is being given to the question of Western response to East German helicopter flights over Berlin.

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DDI noted that the Agency had received for showing a U.S. Navy film on the Integrated Operational Intelligence System.

[] reported that it was a quiet weekend for OCI, that the expected difficulties in Ecuador had not developed, but that the situation there remains shaky. DCI asked about the situation in Guatemala and was told there were no fresh developments. DCI noted Duvalier's complaint about 2,000 troops poised on the Haiti border. This number was described by DDP as "nonsense." There was a lengthy discussion of the Haiti problem.

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[] the DCI described this as "totally inadequate." Aware of policy problems in regard to current planning, DCI indicated that he would take steps on his own to confer with top officials.

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Kent discussed a recent conversation with U.S. AID Director Killen in town from Saigon. Kent noted the fact that Saigon was highly vulnerable to attacks of Communist sabotage.

Kent reported on growing concern in ONE that the Soviets, contrary to previous policy, may be willing to take on two crises at the same time. He referred to Berlin as well as Vietnam.

[] reported that a paper on [] will be before USIB this week in the light of the Bundy memo on this subject.

DDS reported on the Managerial Grid course and noted that the Office of Finance had been selected for use of the course's theory in working on actual office problems.

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IG noted that Blandford of the Staff of the House Armed Services Committee, after looking over the recent letter on Agency auditing procedures, asked for specific examples. DCI granted permission to do so upon advice to this effect.

Houston reported that efforts are being made to have a session with Representative Rivers some time this week.

Bross noted the assignment of Harold Brown as Secretary of the Air Force and Norman Paul as Undersecretary. This led to a discussion of [] and DCI described his meeting with the Space Council Friday. The Council was concerned about the public aspects of the [] and a Task Force is to be formed to answer questions in this regard. It was agreed that USIB would consider the intelligence requirements as a rationale for []. DCI had invited Brown to have DIA introduce the request to USIB. DCI noted that it will be to our advantage to work closely with Brown in an effort to improve relationships.

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DDS&T reported that he had had a recent discussion with Harold Brown and wished to inform the DCI of this privately.

DDS&T noted that a [redacted] tomorrow.

DDS&T reported on a very good flight by OXCART #129 which flew one hour at Mach 3.2. Plans are underway for a lengthier flight as far as Philadelphia and involving a double refueling.

As regards OXCART deployment to the Far East, DDS&T noted that Col. Geary of the USAF at SecDef instruction is studying possibilities of expediting TAGBORAD as an alternative to OXCART. DDS&T noted that this will not be possible.

DDS&T reported on [redacted] [redacted] DDS&T also noted that Soviet spaceships were moving out to sea and that a space spectacular appears upcoming.

Executive Director reported on excellent ratings given [redacted] CIA students at the Industrial War College and the commendatory letter from the National War College on a talk given there by [redacted]

DDCI raised the question of trying to get Agency participation in the McNamara-Lodge trip to Saigon this week. Colby would be our nominee and the DDCI was advised to contact Vance and make the request.

ACTIONS

1. DCI referred to a NODIS cable he had received. It is an Embassy Saigon estimate on Vietnam dated 11 July. He directed dissemination only to DDCI, DDI, AD/NE, Chief, FE, and Chief, Vietnam Task Force.

2. deSilva reported that a statement of Vietnam Task Force objectives and organization will be forthcoming by the end of the week. DCI directed that the Task Force and its functions be made a matter of information for the Intelligence Community as he believed it will be important for the Task Force to keep collection facilities alert and to use the

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Community's assets as necessary. Consideration is to be given to requesting permanent assignment of NSA and State Department officials to the Task Force. (Chief, Vietnam Task Force)

3. DCI wants to be advised as to the status of the Military Pay Bill being considered by the Rivers Committee. (OGC)

4. DCI wants recommendations on who should represent the Agency on the [] Task Force. (NIPE)

5. DCI, referring to discussions with Dr. Baker of the PFIAB last week, wants Baker invited to Headquarters for further talks and briefings. (NIPE)

6. DCI noted that he had promised Secretary Vance that efforts would be made to resolve the Draft NRO Treaty by the end of this week. DCI suggested that Vance be asked to pick a representative with whom DDS&T and Bross can work to thrash out trouble spots. DCI requested advice on this or any other device necessary to resolve the treaty this week. (DDS&T and NIPE)

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